

In RE application of K. TANAHASHI et al

Case Docket No. NIT-401

Serial No.: 10/697,002

Group Art Unit: 1773

For: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM,
 MANUFACTURING PROCESS OF THE SAME, AND MAGNETIC
 STORAGE APPARATUS USING THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
 - Any Extension of Time fees that are necessary, which are hereby requested if necessary.

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Final Rejection) of May 18, 2005 and
Advisory Action of November 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application
as follows. A Petition for a third-month Extension of Time as well as a Request for
Continued Examination (RCE) and appropriate fees also accompany this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.